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Dear Gary,

The Charach mailing from Fred is interesting. Charach phoned me several months ago, when I was somewhat inhibited on this end, but there was nothing much I could have said anyway. I was never as close to that one, and when the people out there decided they didn't want me to know what they had, I had plenty to do without it.

It is some time since I read SPECIAL UNIT SENATOR. I have my own way of knowing it is dishonest, in fact as in intent, and have my own beliefs about its purposes. This is all Charach's way. While I read the book only once, I read it with some care. Among the things that stick in my mind (which is not without the possibility of erroneous recall) is one that might be of value or interest to Charach. It is that after examining something close to 40,000 bullets or shells where Sirhan is alleged to have practised, at a range, there was not that matched his gun.

Was there no spectro on the recovered fragments? I recall no ref. to any. Was there identification, of any kind, i.e., calibre, mfr, etc., of any of the metal causing the fatal or any other wounds?

I have read what was in the Freep.

From the conversation by phone, I'd have to say Charach seems rational, reasonable, well informed, and disclosed nothing prompting any kind of suspicion or doubt. The published material is more than interesting, it is persuasive. But some of the witnesses I have my own reasons for doubting. And not trusting. So, I'm really not in a position to evaluate.

That the coroner's lawyer is Charach's is encouraging, for he did a good job there and begins with knowledge of the basic fact-and the forces.

I'll be writing more of other matters in the a.m..

Thanks,